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WAR DARE DEVILS

First of the American Heroes to Storm No Man's Land.

News of United States' Declaration of War on Germany Signal for Sound Over the Top.

It was night in the trenches of France, and the Canadian contingent lay watchful for the foe, on duty at the listening posts, and night patrols crept stealthily about in No Man's Land. Their bayonets were rubbed with lamp black so that the sudden bursting of a star bomb would not betray their presence.

In this particular Canadian section, writes Henry James Buxton, were one hundred or more stalwarts from the United States—men who went over the international boundary into Canada so they could enlist. These Americans were together in one section of the trench.

One of these was Private "Scotty" Anderson, farmer, telegraph operator, who had tapped the key from Boston to Frisco.

Scotty was long, lean and lank, with arms like bean poles. But his muscles were steel, and his courage without a blemish. Said Scotty to his pal, Jack Murdock:

"This is too slow for me; why can't we go over the top once in a while, and take a slam at the Boches?"

"Time apparently ain't ripe," replied Murdock.

"Ripe," snorted Scotty disgustedly; "we'd soon make the Boches ripe if we got at 'em with our bayonets."

Just then a sergeant hurried into the trench from a communicating passage.

"Boys," he cried excitedly, "the United States has declared war with Germany."

Scotty was on his feet with a whoop. He grabbed the sergeant and said: "Say that again." The sergeant repeated the message.

Scotty grabbed an American flag with one hand and seized his gun with the other.

"Come on, Yanks," he yelled, "over the top for us; we've got to celebrate this!"

With a whoop 100 Americans followed Scotty over the top. The sergeant yelled something about orders, but he was brushed aside.

Yelling, the Americans rushed over No Man's Land, and leaped into the German first line trench. The onslaught was so sudden that the Germans were taken by surprise. A score or more were shot down before they were aware what had happened, and nearly a score more surrendered. The Americans returned to their own trench with their prisoners and they were greeted as heroes by their Canadian comrades.

"We had to do something to celebrate the entrance of Uncle Sam on the job," Scotty explained to a superior.

Logging in the Northwest

In some of the high altitudes in the lumbering districts of the Northwest, logging trains are employed to bring big loads of cut timber from the forests to the mill. The snow, in a way, helps this situation, for it permits the use of an ingenious caterpillar tractor engine of great power. It is, practically speaking, a locomotive of the cog-wheel type and the front trucks are sleigh runners, which are steered by a man sitting in front, his hands on the steering wheel. The "engineer" concerns himself with the same duties as though he were running on a track, while the fireman has to keep steam up. Specially devised sleighs, as wide as the locomotive itself, are used to carry the logs, and the trackless engine is of such power that it can drag eight and more truckloads of this character at a time.

Why He Quit.

A new confectionery store opened its doors in the north part of the city recently, states the Indianapolis News. The proprietor hired a skilled candy maker. His troubles started early.

The candy maker went on a big spree, and in a few days the stock in the store ran low. The proprietor went out on a hunt for the candy maker and finally found him and straightened him up so he could work again.

But when he was ready for work the sugar famine was on with all of its terrors, and no sugar was obtainable. This condition continued for several days, and when he finally got a sugar supply the candy maker was absent again.

The proprietor closed the doors, sold the remaining stock and store fixtures at auction and retired from the candy business.

Popularity for the Sunflower.

The sunflower is probably destined to play an important part in the economic affairs of the United States as a substitute for linseed, states the Christian Science Monitor. A member of the National Paint, Oil and Varnish association recently read a report which declared that the cultivation of the sunflower for this purpose can be made to yield a gross return to the farmer of from \$30 to \$38 an acre. Everything in these days seems to be working out to the profit of Kansas. Cannot something be done with the jimson weed, so as to please Missouri?

Casting Finest Statuary.

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HENRY FOURTH OF GERMANY

King's Troubles in Helping to Rule the World Included Much Suffering and Humiliation.

Of all the wrangling monarchs who had a part in running the world during the infancy of government none was more picturesque than Henry IV of Germany. And he suffered perhaps the greatest humiliation that ever was visited upon a king, writes a historian.

Gregory VII became pope in the seventh decade of the eleventh century. The election did not please Henry in the least. Under the pilfered title of Roman king he claimed a share in papal affairs and did not propose to be treated lightly. But Gregory persuaded him to confirm his elevation. Then dissension broke out between the two, and Henry's partisans unseated the pope, who retired to Canossa, in the Apennines.

Gregory retaliated on Henry by withholding that most powerful weapon of the church—excommunication. This casting out of the faith was the most feared of all fates in ancient days, and even Henry's close advisers fell away from him. The king faced the storm bravely enough, but things went against him and he decided to propitiate Gregory. So in the midst of winter he crossed the Alps, a truly prodigious undertaking in those times, and presented himself before the castle where Gregory was staying, asking audience. At first Gregory refused, but then consented on condition that Henry dismiss all his attendants and enter alone. The German complied and quitted his suite to go inside the walls.

Further on he came to a second gate, where he was told that the pope had ordered him divested of all his regal ornaments and clothing before proceeding. Henry reluctantly consented, and received in exchange a coarse woolen tunic. Wearing this, he passed through the gate, thinking his troubles over. But there remained a last gate and a final trial. For three days and nights he was kept standing outside the gate in severe weather, fasting from morning until night. At the end of that time Gregory finally had the king ushered before him and agreed to lift the ban if Henry would consent to a truce between them, made distinctly on the pope's terms. To this Henry agreed and was restored to the church.

He left soon after, nursing his hatred for Gregory and determined to square accounts. This led to the pope nominating another prince for Henry's throne and to endless warfare. The king was excommunicated a second time and continued under the ban most of his troublous life. There have been few instances of a monarch undergoing any such humiliation as that he experienced, standing outside the pope's door for three days in freezing weather.

Now a K. P.

A young aviator at one of the aviation fields, wrote his mother a letter recently, and among other things he said that he had "got to be a K. P." On receipt of the letter the good mother, with love in her heart for her boy, hastened to a jewelry store and informed the jeweler that she wished to buy a K. of P. ring for her son, saying that she had received a letter from him stating that he had become a K. P. A ring was selected, paid for and prepared for mailing. In due time the "K. P. aviator" received the package containing the ring and a letter from his mother, in which she commended him on the step he had taken and that she was sending him this ring to show her appreciation.

The young man at once saw that his mother was laboring under a mistake, as he was not a member of the Knights of Pythias, as she supposed, but instead he was kitchen police at the aviation grounds. He at once wrote his mother, explaining the meaning of his letter, and kept the matter a secret for some time, but it was too good, and he told the story to a party of people who were visiting at the field.

British National Anthem.

The authorship of the British National anthem furnishes one of those evergreen subjects of dispute which delight the soul of individuals whose joy it is to write letters to the press, observes a British exchange. Probably there will also be conflicting evidences on the question, but the common opinion now is that Henry Carey, who died in October, 1743, was the author. At any rate, Carey sang the song as his own composition at a dinner party in Cornhill, while shortly afterwards he approached a publisher with the manuscript. It was not at once accepted, and seems to have been first sung in public in 1745—two years after Carey's death.

Oil From Melon Seeds.

A genuine American invention originated at Rocky Ford, where a melon grower named Burrill, with the faculty of inductive reasoning, found out that a clear, rich oil can be expressed from the seeds of cantaloupes, notes the Chicago Tribune. He submitted samples to government chemists at Washington, who notified him that their tests indicated a new table oil of the same texture and color as olive oil, one which needed no refining process. There is wide significance in this discovery, which indicates melons, squash and pumpkin seeds, as perhaps those of citrus fruit as well, as a prolific source of oil supply.

Oldest College Sorority.

The oldest of the women's college sororities is the Alpha Delta Pi, which was founded at Wesleyan female college in 1851.

SHAWANO RED MEN

Indian Remains, Trails and Mounds Are Located.

Wisconsin Lake of Same Name Was Happy Hunting Grounds and Center of Tribe's Population.

The Indian history and remains of the region about Lake Shawano and the Wolf river are discussed in the Wisconsin Archeologist in an article by George R. Fox and H. O. Younger.

Lake Shawano was the center of Indian population of considerable number, and the authors of the article located trails, camp sites, mounds and other Indian remains in great abundance. Several of the old Indian legends regarding the first Indian settlement of this region are also included in the work.

Among the old trails definitely located is one which led from the Wolf river to the Wisconsin river, meeting the latter stream near Wausau. Another trail ran along the eastern shore of Lake Shawano to Mud lake and thence to the Oconto river near Pulcifer. A third trail ran southeast to Bondel and north to Cecil. The Fox river itself was of course the chief Indian highway.

The legends regarding the occupation of the Shawano lake country are still a part of Menominee lore and perhaps contain some facts, because the direct descendants of the first Indian settlers in this country still live. A dream of a beautiful lake, according to the legend, brought an old Indian and his family to the place which afterward became a large Indian settlement.

The mounds in the region were probably built by predecessors of the Menominees, because the latter did not bury in mounds. Some mounds were found near Pickerel creek, some in the city of Shawano, and others on the wider shores, where it is difficult to do much investigating. On Mud lake in the town of Wescott they found a group of four mounds and near the group a mound more than 35 feet in diameter.

The city of Shawano contains traces of one of the largest mound groups in the northeastern part of the state. A group of 30 or more mounds was situated at the terminus of Green Bay street. Many of these have been destroyed by the tilling of fields and leveling of streets.

New Kind of Bomb.

During the raid on enemy aliens in New York city, the police discovered an entirely new kind of bomb, writes a Gotham correspondent.

It consists of a finely constructed cedar box, divided into two compartments. On one side is the space for the explosive, which may be dynamite or nitroglycerine. On the other side is the mechanism that discharges the fulminating cap. A strong coil spring is released by the slightest tug on the handle of the box. When the apparatus is set merely lifting the box is sufficient to explode the contents. By inserting a small steel pin in the partition the bomb is made safe and may be carried about like a tool case. Withdrawing the pin and closing the lid means certain death to the next person who lifts it.

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